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D' Uncle

I have been in search of you this two  
years since I left Ireland and I never could gain any  
thought information concerning you as I had forgot the  
Directions which you had sent to my Mother and  
at the time I left home Captain Richardson was  
in England and he had your letter I have been in the  
United States until about 4 months ago when I  
came to Canada I have made every enquiry since I came to  
Montreal and at last began to despair of finding you  
until I became acquaint a lady in this town a  
Mrs. Grant who by means of her Son in Law a Gentleman  
who lives in Fingston I have been informed where you  
lived and as you have been a long time in this Country  
of hours you are much better acquaint with what place  
~~best~~ my business would suit best and I take the  
opportunity of asking your advice in what ~~manners~~ it  
would be best for me to act in order to gain a  
livelihood my Trade is a Millwright and I have been two  
years married but have not any children so that I  
should suppose if I had a chance of shewing my abilities

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there would not be any danger of my making out  
a living I could have done very well in the U States  
and got great encouragement but on the War being  
with great Britain every British Subject was obliged  
to leave it or ~~otherwise~~ otherwise swear allegiance  
to the Country which I did not ~~but~~ chuse to do  
and as it was chiefly on your account I came to  
America I did not much regret having to leave as  
I always intended one time or other to come here I was in  
a very bad state of Health when I came to Montreal but  
now I thank God I am quite recovered and am now working  
to a Mr Gray about 6 Miles from Montreal I was once  
before deceived in writing from New York to Mr. which make  
me more cautious but from every information which I  
can gain I believe you to be the person I am in search of  
however if you should not be the Gentleman I allude to  
I hope you will excuse the liberty I have taken and  
allow me to subscribe myself your Humble S<sup>r</sup>t  
Direct to Jacob Bell care of Jacob H. Bell  
Mr. Henry Forrest Montreal  
<sup>Millwork</sup>

Answered 6<sup>th</sup> Feb 1813  
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Mr. William Hale

to  
you  
from a  
Lutteman

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